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A CHILD'S WORLD

Now that it's over—the heat and scramble and work of preparing our Second National Exhibition of American Child Art—it's time to review and share the delights of such a task.

We were not alone in our last-minute scrambling, of course. The February 1 deadline apparently created emergencies in more than one school. While we had asked quite insistently that all paintings be mailed flat, one group came neatly encased in a girdle tube. Another ingenious teacher, unable to locate gummed tape or string, relied on 15 Band-Aids to seal her package. Both expedients worked fine.

When the exhibit opens June 11 at the Galerie St. Etienne in New York, 24 states will be represented, a geographical distribution that will enable viewers to see work that comes from widely-separated parts of the country. After the showing in New York, the Smithsonian Institution will circulate the exhibit throughout the nation for a two-year period. If you are interested in having it in your community, you ought to write promptly to Mrs. John A. Pope, Director of Traveling Exhibitions, Smithsonian Institution, Washington 25, D. C. We believe "The Four Seasons" may be even more popular than "As I See Myself", our first exhibit, which is still on tour under the auspices of the Smithsonian.

Arts and Activities and Dr. Otto Kallir, Director of Galerie St. Etienne, have jointly sponsored these two shows, believing that it is important to present as frequently as possible such major exhibitions of children's art. We are convinced that the more recognition child art can get, the more parents and school administrators will be interested in furthering art education for young people.

Perhaps never before have so many schools in so many communities shown such interest in an exhibit of child art. Within the space of three weeks more than 16,000 pictures from towns and cities in 40 different states arrived by rail and air. Here was a cross section of art work being produced in the schools of the nation. But it turned out to be

more. The parade of child art penetringly documents the world of children.

This issue of *Arts and Activities* is wholly devoted to "The Four Seasons". Each painting in the final show is reproduced with the child's name, age, grade, school and his teacher's name. The entire exhibition is thus a tribute to the art and classroom teachers of America, for without their enthusiastic response it would not have been possible.

These pages lead you into the world of children—where one sees the exciting color and speed of smooth cars on a broad skyscraper-lined avenue—and not the exhaust fumes. Where sailing means white sparkles on pure blue waves—and not the buffeting danger of an angry wind.

In a child's autumn, a scarecrow comes alive, the rhythmic sheaves turn to gold, cotton bursts its bolls and leaves fall for cats to walk in.

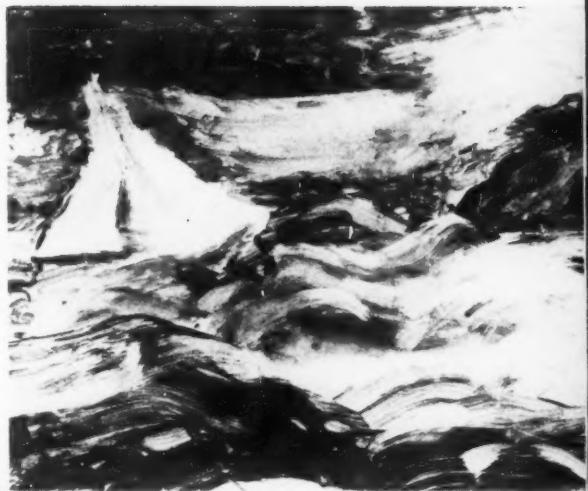


Halloween is yet another excitement of shivery half-belief in wicked witches and laughable goblins—soon supplanted by mouth-watering anticipation of Thanksgiving.

With roguish perception a child paints a crisp winter morning—not forgetting the car that won't start. Winter means skating and sledding—and falling—but a child remembers the birds must be fed. The Holy Night, the Wise Men, the Christ Child and a Christmas tree go with winter. And no fear mars the beauty of a Maine blizzard.

One young wit paints "spring chickens" as a seasonal thought. Flowers bloom and Easter comes, and with it as sensitive a Calvary as you'll ever see. Spring melts into the heightened tempo of summer, freedom from school, freedom to play and to go to the circus.

Summer is the climate of a child's pristine world—a climate of irrepressible gaiety under a sun that smiles on a happy earth.



Trou Galerie St. Etienne ...

The selection of 100 pictures from over 16,000 wonderful examples of child art has been a very difficult task. As we worked and arrived at our final choices, my thoughts often turned to the child whose work had to be eliminated. I wanted to tell him how much I loved his painting. Among the material we could not accept was a great deal of fine work—colorful, imaginative and honest.

Encouraged by the success of our first national exhibition of American child art in 1955 entitled "As I See Myself", *Arts and Activities'* publisher G. E. von Rosen approved the plan for this second show and Dr. Hoover and I organized it around the theme, "The Four Seasons". This we felt would give children the greatest possible range for expressing their observations of nature and daily life, their experience of various feasts and holidays, at the same time revealing the characteristics of the different regions of our country.

The resulting exhibition will hang in Galerie St. Etienne from June 11 through June 30 and possibly for still another week if attendance warrants it. The 100 pictures comprise a varied and engaging collection of children's work from all corners of the United States. After its first showing in my gallery, the Smithsonian Institution will take it over, as it did "As I See Myself", for circulation to art centers large and small.

To all those whose pictures are not in the show I want to say: don't be discouraged. Go on painting so long as you enjoy it and send in your pictures for *Arts and Activities'* next National Exhibition of American Child Art which we hope we shall present in 1959.



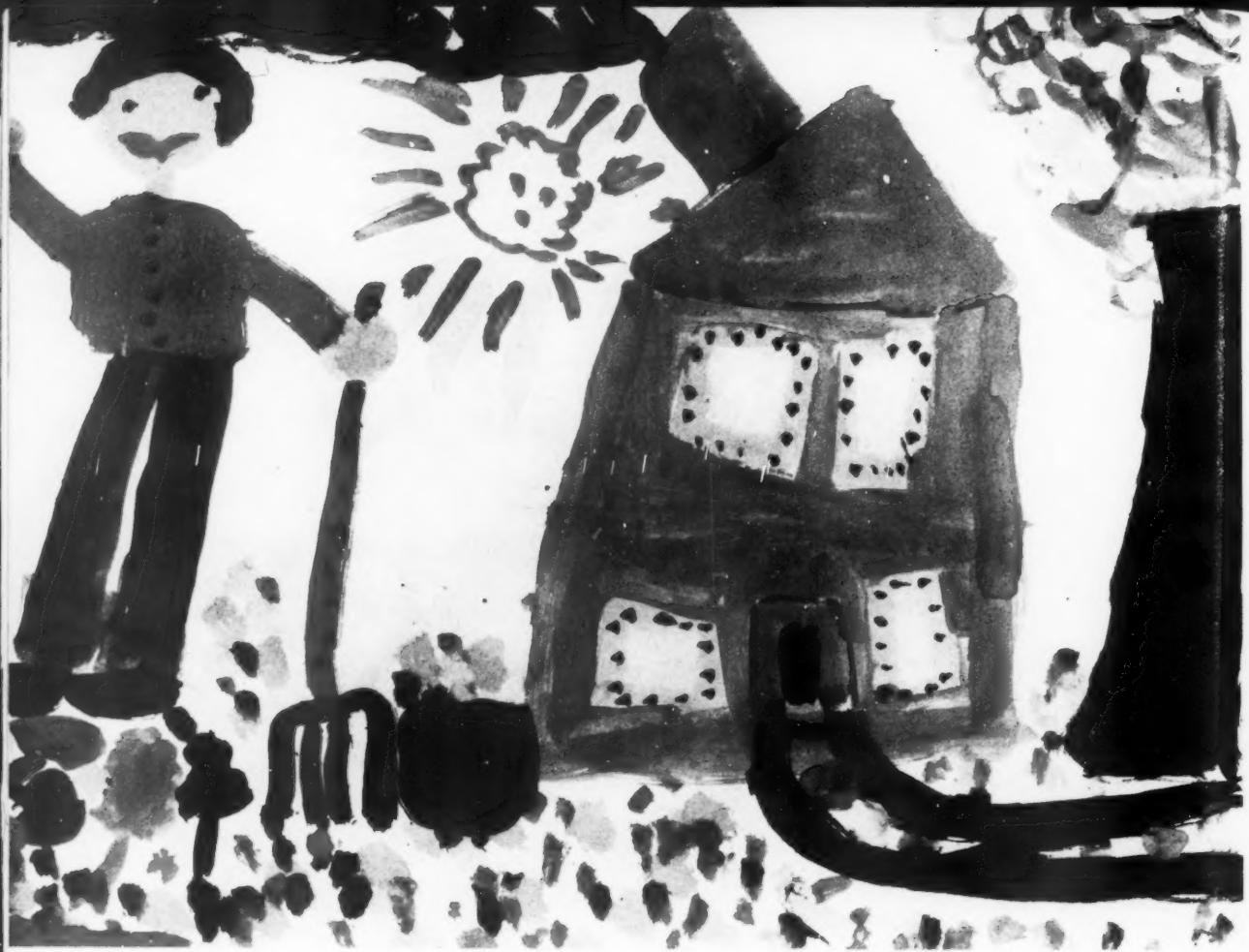
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FALL — Larry Hardy, age 12, Grade 7, Vestal School,
Portland, Oregon. Teacher: Mrs. Lillie Haygarth

A quieting world wraps itself up . . . scarecrows come
to life, grain turns golden, cotton bursts its bolls . . .



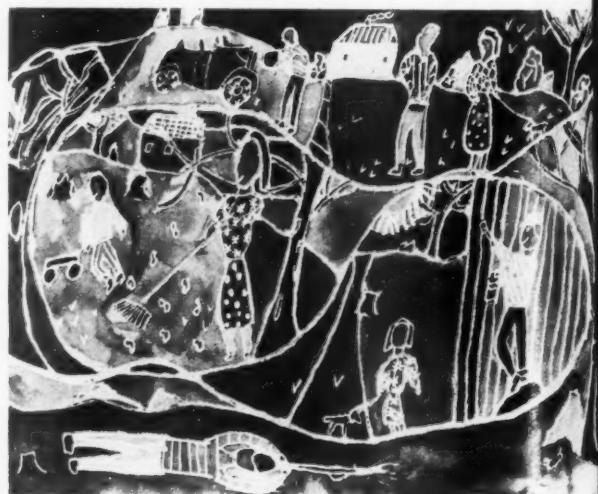
RAKING LEAVES IN THE FALL—Rita Savoca, age 6, Grade 1, Scarrett School, Kansas City, Missouri. Teacher: Mary Nell Coffman

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AUTUMN RAINS—Michael Shaunessey, age 14, Grade 8, Cullen Junior High School, Houston, Texas. Teacher: Norma Lynn Wood



FALL ACTIVITIES—John Greve, age 13, Grade 8, Morgandale School, Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Teacher: Miss Nowakowski

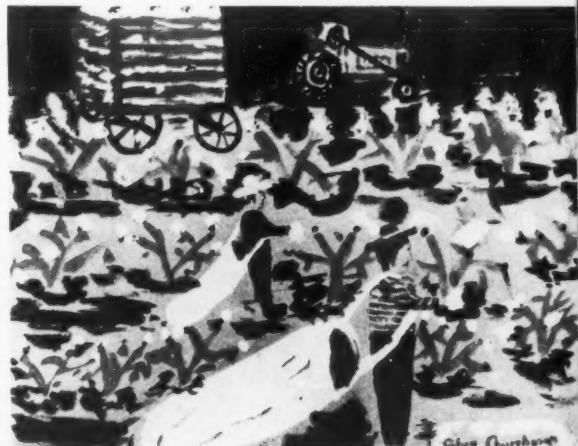
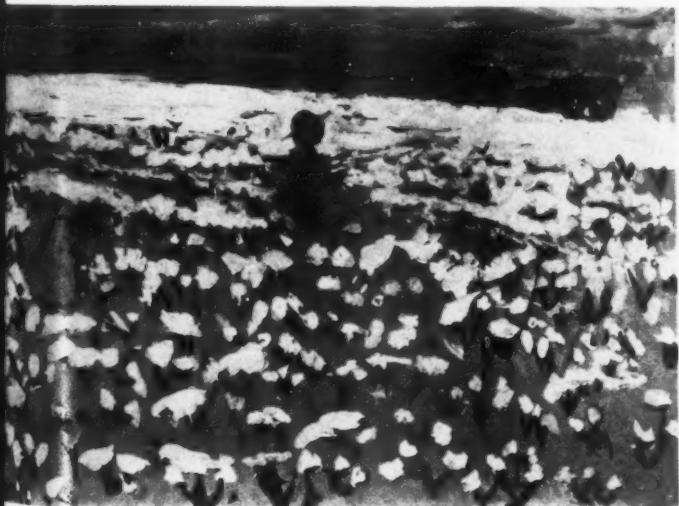




CATS WALKING IN AUTUMN LEAVES—Michelle Balach, age 5, Kindergarten, Washington School, Belleville, Illinois. Teacher: Margery Smith



AUTUMN STILL LIFE—Tina Landsberg, age 12, Grade 8, Studio San Damiano, Cardinal Stritch College, Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Teacher: Sr. Thomasita

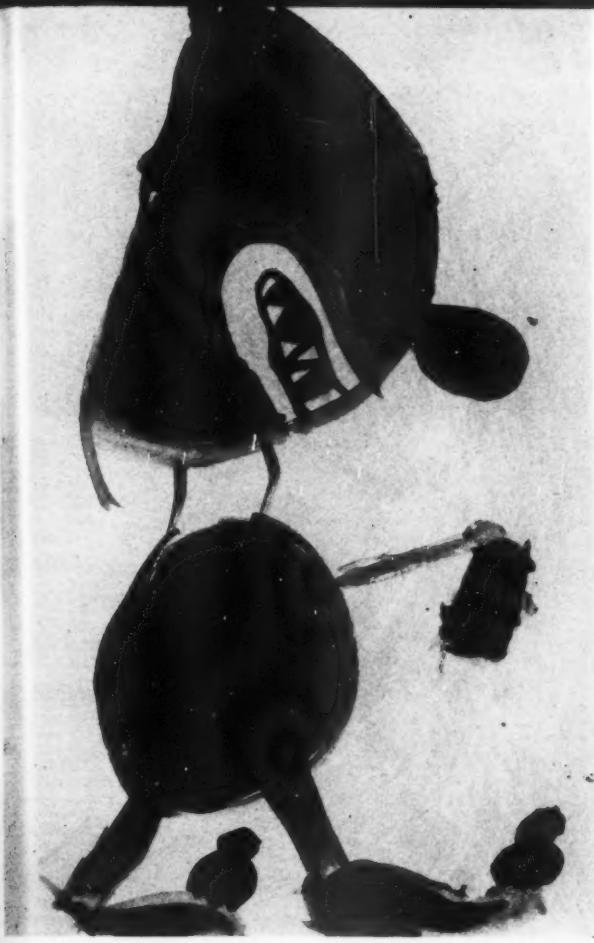


PICKING COTTON IN THE FALL—Glyn Churchman, age 10, Grade 4, Stephen C. Foster School, Dallas, Texas. Teacher: Mrs. Adelle Wingo

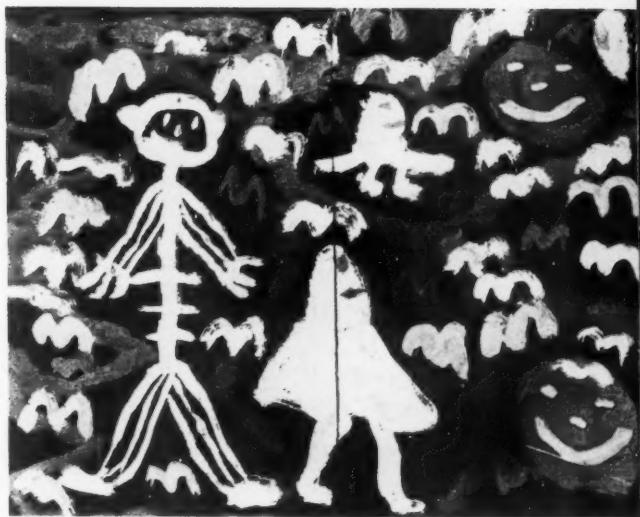
COTTON HARVEST—Linda Cooper, age 12, Grade 7, Neville Junior High School, Monroe, La. Teacher: Mrs. Thuria Bordelon

THE BAD WITCH—Patricia Quintero, Kindergarten, Beacon Hill School, Seattle, Washington. Teacher: Alvina Orluck





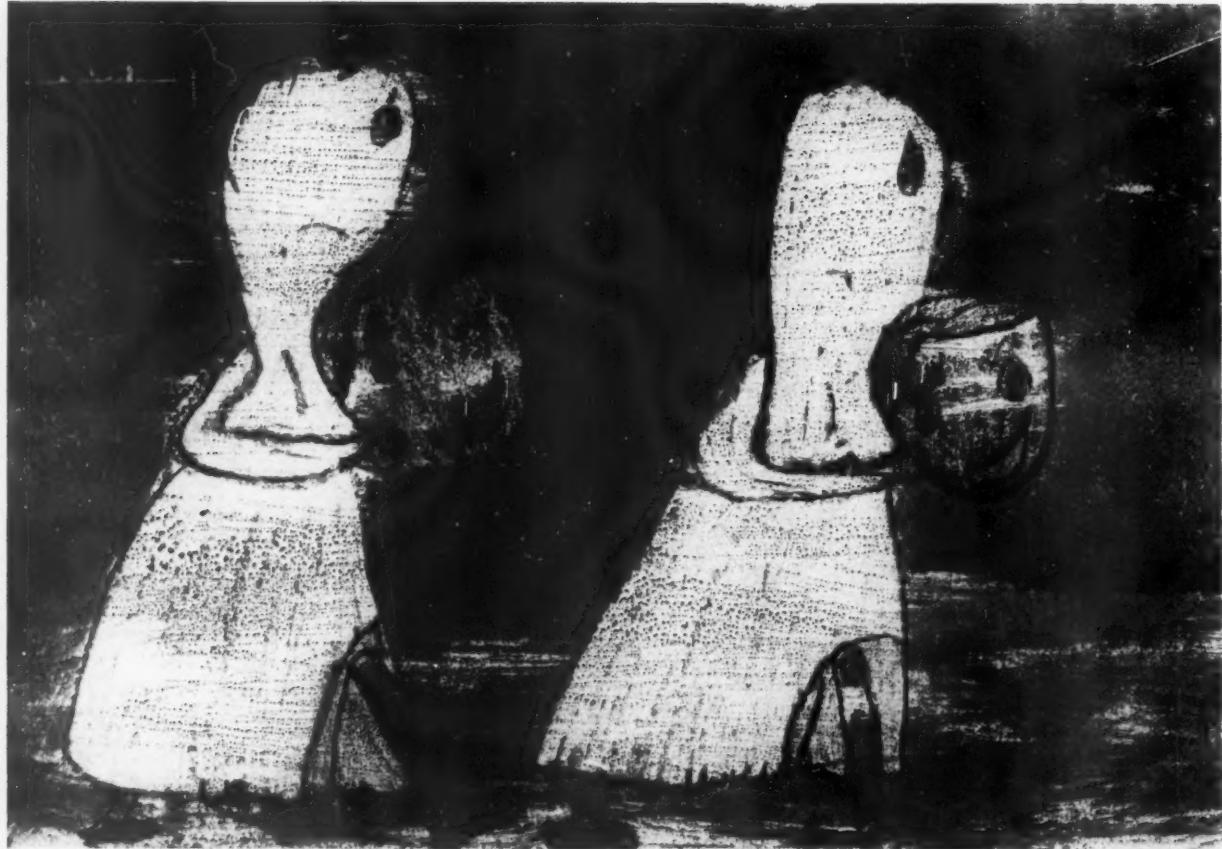
HALLOWEEN GOBLIN—Robert Lamb, age 8, Grade 3, Cail School, Grand Rapids, Michigan. Teacher: Barbara Viergiver



HALLOWEEN NIGHT—Seven-year-old, Grade 2, Wilson Park School, Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Teacher: Miss O'Donovan



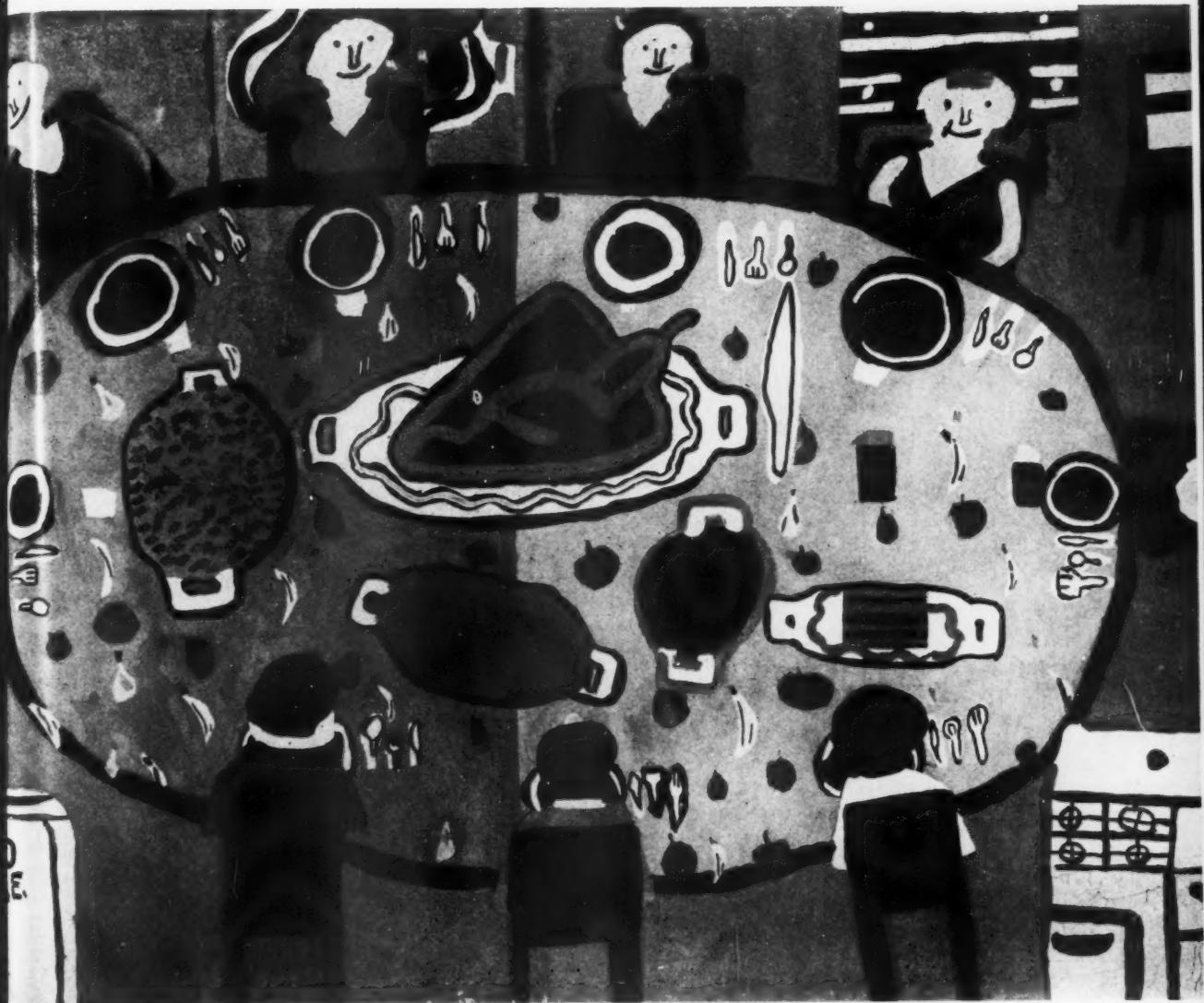
THE WITCH—Larry Leviton, age 13, Grade 8, Highland Junior High School, Louisville, Ky. Teacher: Mrs. Ackerman



HALLOWEEN PARADE—Lilijean Miller, age 9, Grade 4, Prescott School, Dubuque, Iowa. Teacher: Miss Bowen

HALLOWEEN GHOSTS—Janice Dalton, age 12, Grade 7, Southern Junior High School, Louisville, Ky. Teacher: Miss Barnard

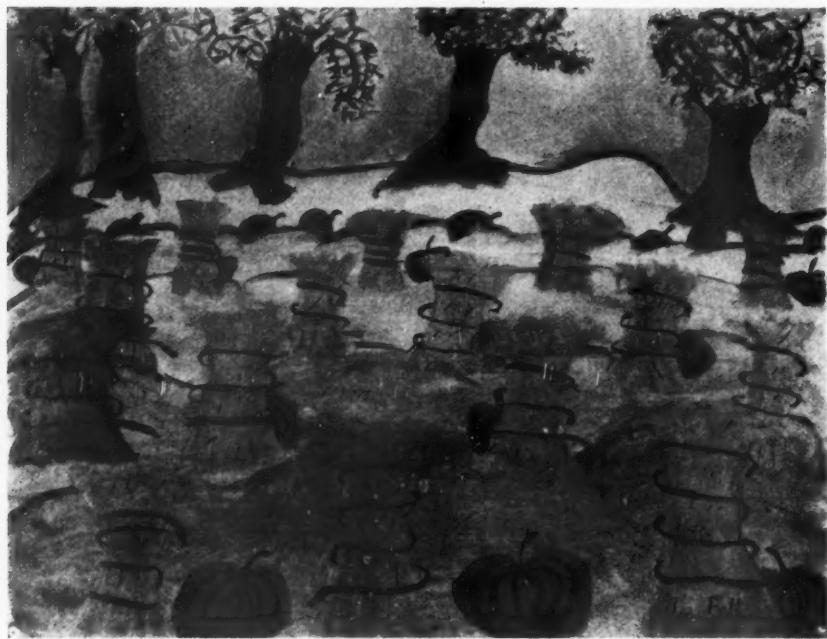




THANKSGIVING DINNER—Billy Molthrop, age 13, Grade 7, Southern Junior High School, Louisville, Ky. Teacher: Miss Barnard



THANKSGIVING TURKEY—Barbara Lui,
Kindergarten, Beacon Hill School, Seattle,
Wash. Teacher: Alvina Orluck



FALL—Marjorie Bowens, age 11, Grade 6, Fred Douglas School, Dallas, Texas. Teacher: M. B. Denson

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WRAPPING UP FOR WINTER—James McGownd, age 11, Grade 5, Lincoln School, Jacksonville, Ill.
Teacher: Mary Sneeden



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A COLD MORNING — Priscilla Chase, age 14, Grade 8, Lincoln Junior High School, Portland, Me. Teacher: Donald Patterson



THE BIG SNOW — Susan Gillman, age 11, Grade 6, P. S. No. 208, Brooklyn, N.Y. Teacher: Mrs. Sayer

Fear of pain, cold or tomorrow? Not in children's winter!

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A SATURDAY MORNING IN WINTER—Pamela Schmid, age 8, Grade 3, Fabrique School, Wichita, Kansas. Teacher: Mary Gates



PLAYING IN THE SNOW—David Green, age 9, Grade 4, Montgomery School, Henderson, Texas. Teacher: Jean Oliver



WINTER FUN—Steve Dolgos, age 13, Grade 7, Beiger Elementary School, Mishawaka, Indiana. Teacher: Miss Brown



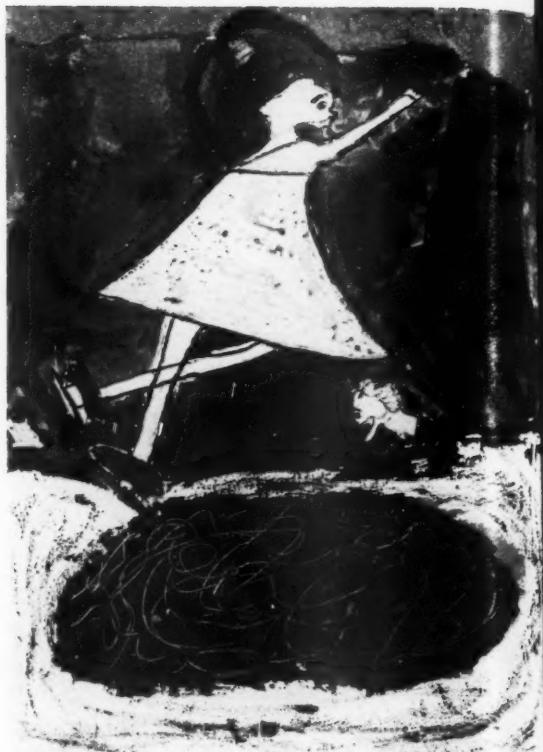
WINTER DESERT—Jimmy Guthrie, age 10, Grade 5, Miles School, Tucson, Ariz. Teacher: Miss Tynes

TEACHER AND ALL THE CHILDREN WALKING IN THE SNOW—
Susan Quallich, age 6, Kindergarten, Hailmann School, LaPorte, Ind.
Teacher: Jessie K. Brown



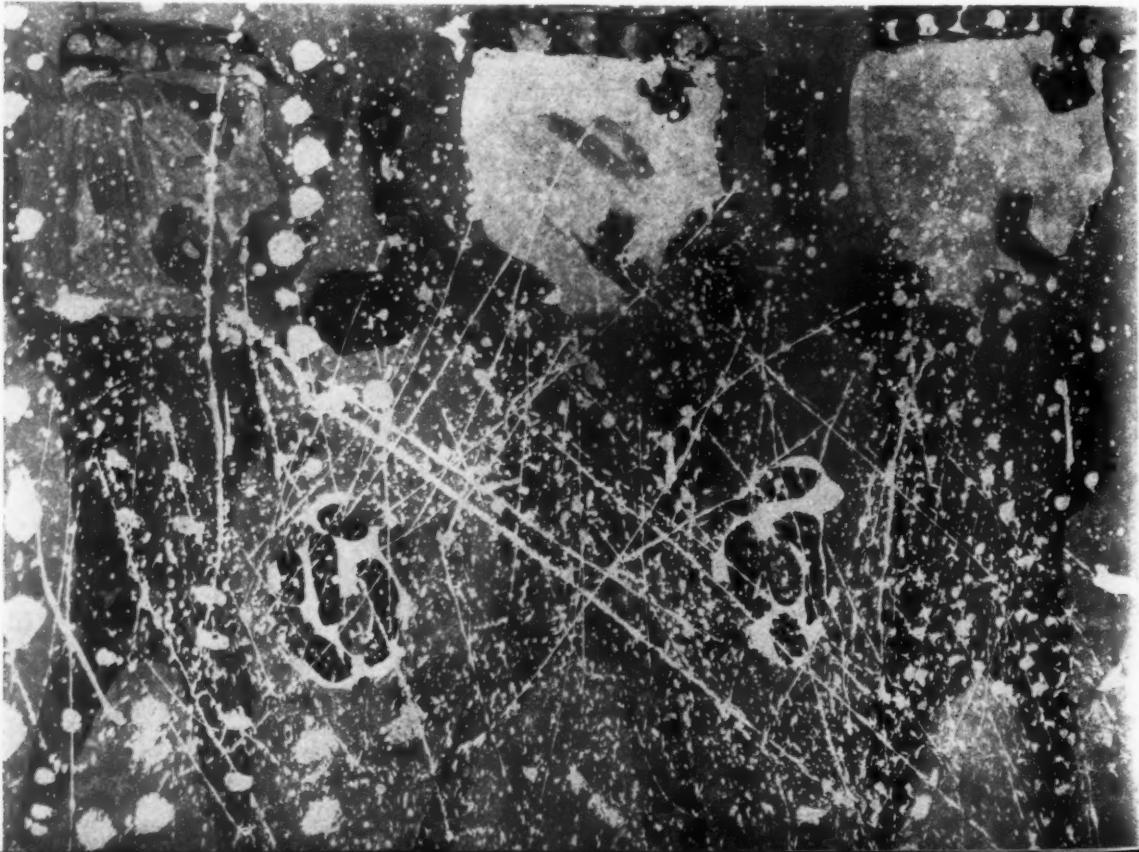


FEEDING THE BIRDS—David Brady, age 6, Grade 1B, Arsenal Elementary School, Pittsburgh, Pa. Teacher: Leila Wise



SKATING AND FALLING—Sharon Fye, age 10, Grade 4, Lincoln School, Kalamazoo, Michigan. Teacher: Mrs. Pavlick

SNOW—Eddie Jones, age 9, Grade 4, Montgomery School, Henderson, Texas. Teacher: Jean Oliver



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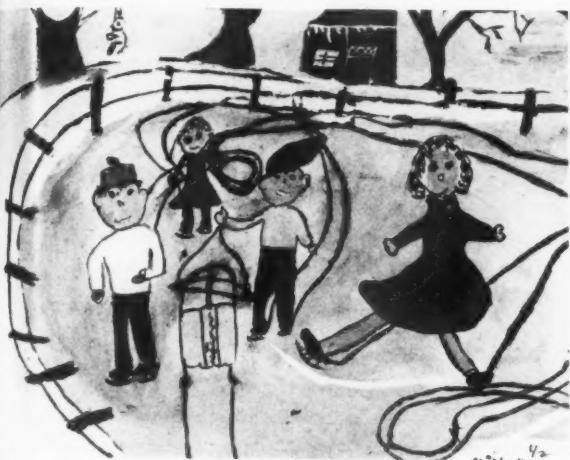
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WINTER FUN—John Kibler, age 7, Grade 2, Doerfler School, Milwaukee, Wis. Teacher: Miss Mulaney



SNOWS OF WINTER—Norman Huff, age 12, Grade 7, duPont Manual School, Louisville, Ky. Teacher: Ruth Waller



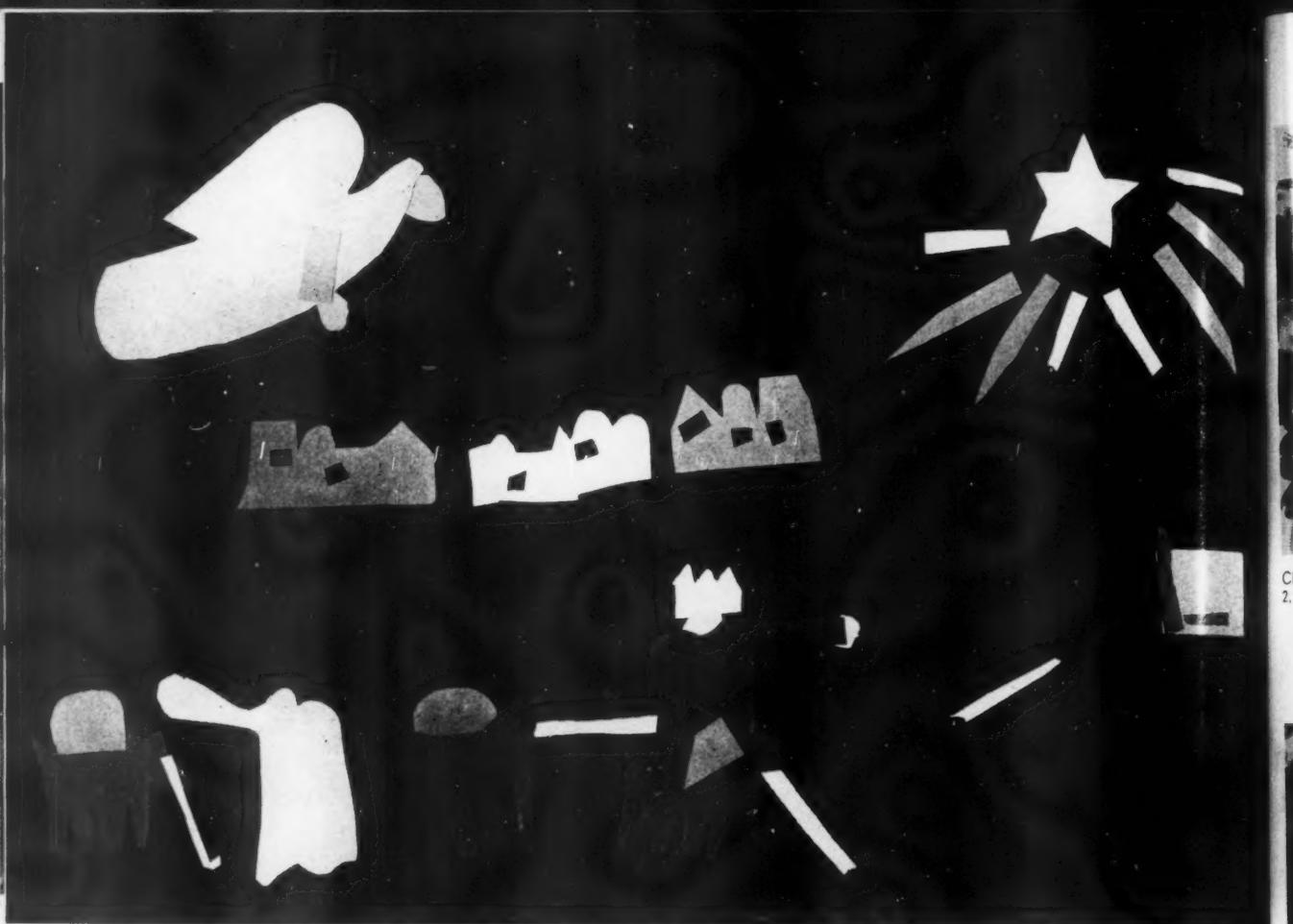
ON SUNDAY AFTERNOON—Milton Apple, age 9, Grade 4, Lombard School, Tulsa, Okla. Teacher: Anna Lee Tucker



THE SLIDING POND—Michael Mark, Junior High School No. 67, Queens, N. Y. Teacher: Mrs. Nelson

WINTER MORNING—Miriam Levine, age 14, Grade 8, Junior High School No. 80, Bronx, N. Y. Teacher: J. Submonetti



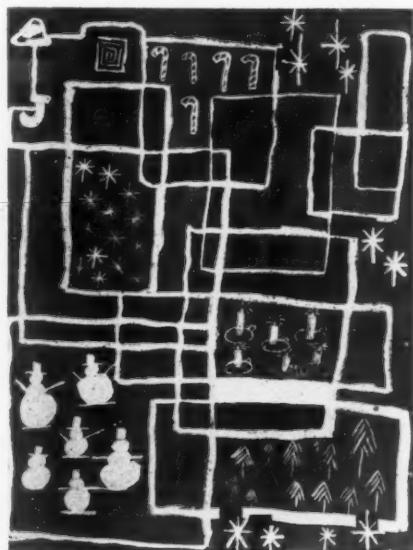


HOLY NIGHT—Susan Heier, age 7, Grade 2, Brady School, Brady, Montana. Teacher: Emma Novak

CHRISTMAS TREE—Bill Avery, age 10, Grade 5, Barrett School, Birmingham, Ala. Teacher: Lula Bell Black



CHRISTMAS TIME IS HERE—Gayle Shafford, age 11, Grade 6, Woodrow Wilson School, Stockton, Calif. Teacher: Miss Kelly





CHILDREN SINGING CAROLS—Margaret Chandler, age 7, Grade 2, School No. 41, Rochester, N. Y. Teacher: Miss Farrell



CAROL SINGERS—Carolyn Donaldson, age 10, Grade 5, Obadiah Knight School, Dallas, Texas. Teacher: Grace Burks



CHRISTMAS TIME—Charles Uriwicz, age 7, Grade 2B, McKay School, Chicago, Illinois. Teacher: Miss Burke

NATIVITY—Carol Ann Smith, age 9, Grade 4,
Hall School, Grand Rapids, Mich. Teacher:
Mary Ann Kelly

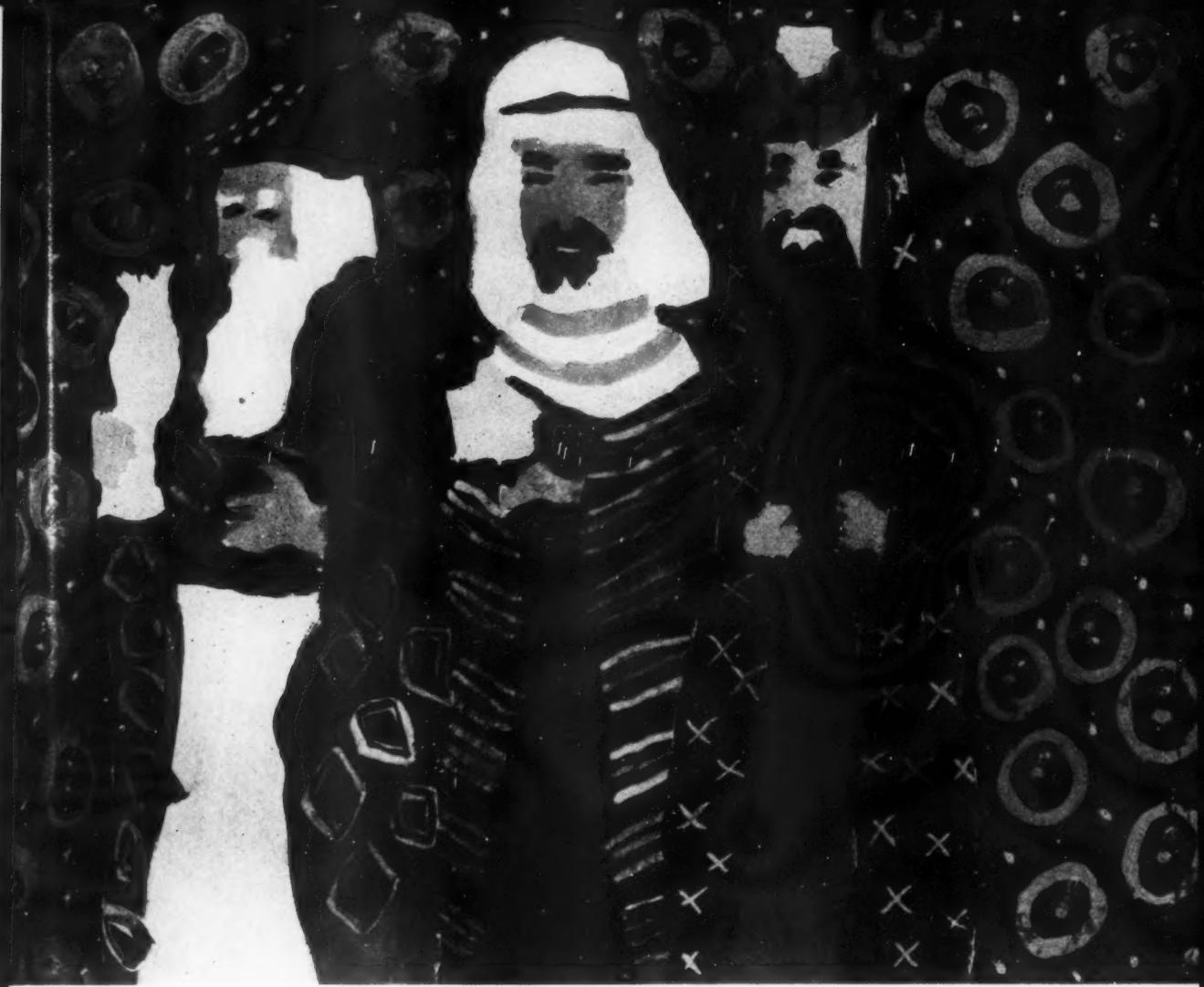


MARY, JOSEPH AND THE BABY JESUS. THE ANGEL AND THE STARS ARE LOOKING DOWN—
John Harris, age 6, Grade 1, Wichita, Kansas.
Teacher: Lucie Meyer

AWAY IN THE MANGER—Ralph Toothy, age 6,
Grade 1, Heronville School, Oklahoma City, Okla.
Teacher: Florence Jones



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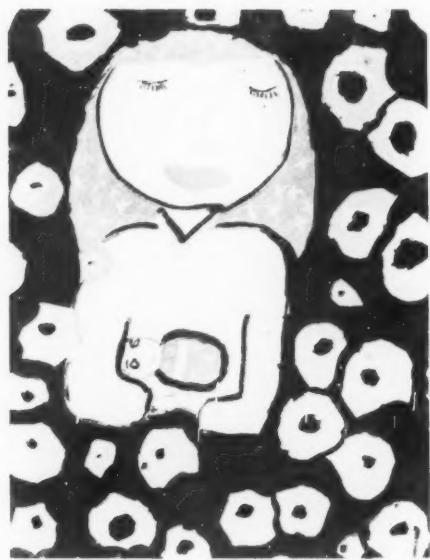
THREE WISE MEN—Doniece Rains, age 10, Grade 5, Mt. Washington School, Kansas City, Mo. Teacher: Mrs. Sutton

A WISE MAN—David Monroe, age 9, Grade 3, Cannon School, Danville, Ill. Teacher: Irena Maris

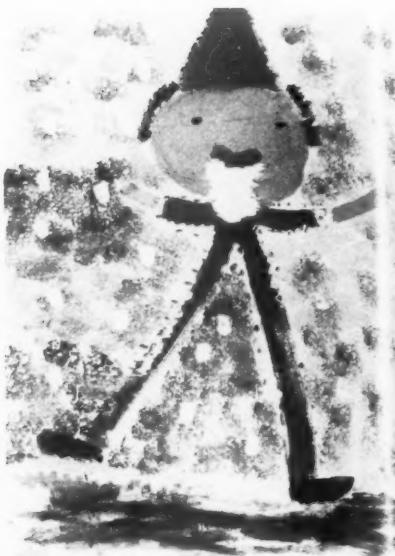


WE THREE KINGS OF ORIENT ARE—Peter Jordan, Grade 4, Haverford Boys School, Haverford, Pa. Teacher: Mr. Kimball





MADONNA—Polly Morrison, age 10, Grade 5, Hawthorne School, Tulsa, Okla. Teacher: Christine Evans



SANTA—Nancy Nadel, age 6, Grade 1, Rio Vista School, Los Angeles, Calif. Teacher: Mary Graham



MADONNA—Linda Overn, age 9, Grade 4, Mayberry Street School, Los Angeles, Calif. Teacher: Natalie Cole



IN SANTA'S HOME—Helen Sanders, age 13, Grade 8, Gottschalk Junior High School, Louisville, Ky. Teacher: Patsy Griffin



SANTA'S HELPER—Sue Baker, age 10, Grade 5, Upton, Mass. Art Supervisor: M. Weed



A MAINE BLIZZARD—Joan Sapp, age 13, Grade 7, Lincoln Junior High School, Portland, Me. Teacher: Donald Patterson



CHANUKAH—Ralph Petlock, age 8, Grade 3, Washington School, Springfield, Mass. Teacher: Rose McGibney





NEW YEAR'S FLOAT—Cynthia Marquis, age 11, Grade 6, Los Angeles, California. Teacher: Mr. Houston



A PORTRAIT OF MY MOTHER—Norman Riggs, Grade 5, Windsor School, Des Moines, Iowa

VALENTINE—Pam Reedin, age 6, Grade 1A, Rio Vista School, Los Angeles, Calif. Teacher: Mary Graham





DAFFODIL IN A WINDOW — Susan Colin, age 11, Grade
6, P.S. No. 135, Brooklyn, N.Y. Teacher: Mrs. Banason

Child plays in flowers, rain — but remembering Easter,
paints as sensitive a Calvary as you'll ever see . . .

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SHARING FLOWERS—Susan Salyer, age 6, Grade 1, Heronville School, Oklahoma City, Okla. Teacher: Imogene Nance



PICKING FLOWERS IN THE SPRING—Virginia Leach, age 8, Grade 3, Faxon School, Kansas City, Mo. Teacher: M. Perry

SIGN OF SPRING—Pamela Kussler, age 8, Grade 2, Grant School, Moline, Illinois. Teacher: Bernice Fowler





MY FRIENDS ON A SPRING DAY AT SCHOOL—Sharlyn Schneider, age 9, Grade 4, Lombard School, Tulsa, Oklahoma. Teacher: Anna Lee Tucker



SPRING IS HERE—James McNeil, age 15, Grade 7, J. J. Smallwood Elementary School, Norfolk, Virginia. Teacher: Clara Boyd



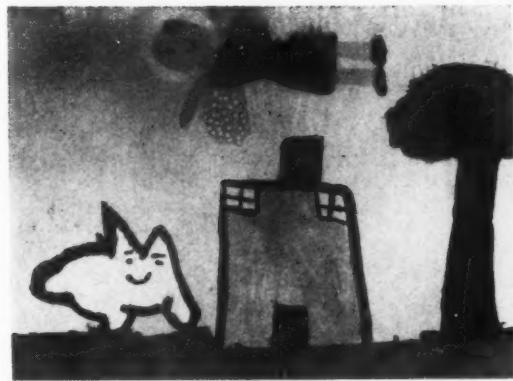
MAYPOLE DANCE IN THE CLASSROOM—Winola Dero, age 6, Grade 1,
Com. Stockton School, San Francisco, Calif. Teacher: Lucile Leonard

SPRING BAPTISM—Peggy Wood, age 12, Grade 7, E. Rivers School, Atlanta, Georgia. Teacher: Lina Garner



EASTER TIME—Robert Ely, age 10, Grade 5, Haverford Boys School, Haverford, Pennsylvania. Teacher: Mrs. Mowlds





THE EASTER ANGEL—Carletta Moon, age 5, Kindergarten,
Culbertson School, Oklahoma City, Okla. Teacher: Leslie Kelly



EASTER SUNDAY—Patrick Reagh, age 8, Grade A3, Mayberry St. School,
Los Angeles, Calif. Teacher: Natalie Cole

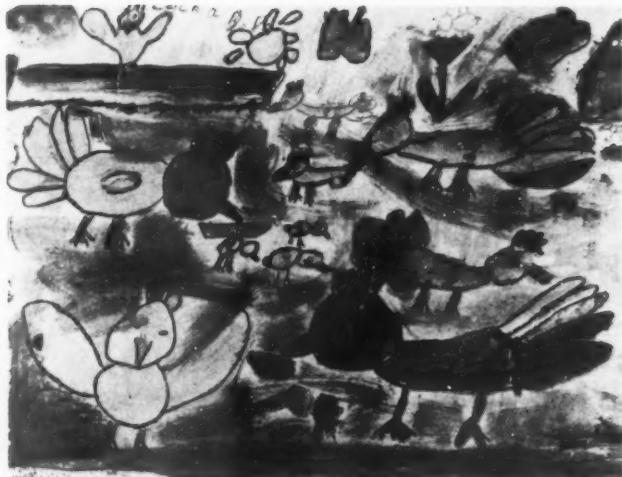
THE EASTER PARADE—Vera Lewis, age 11, Grade 5, Bowling Park School, Norfolk, Virginia.
Teacher: Mrs. L. Moseley





IT'S FUN TO JUMP ROPE IN THE SPRING—Anna Mandelbaum, age 9, Grade 4, Avalon School, Chicago, Illinois. Teacher: Mrs. Lannon

IT RAINS IN THE SPRING—Ingrid Mattson, age 6, Grade 1, Levy School, Wichita, Kans. Teacher: Mrs. Jeanette Sharpe

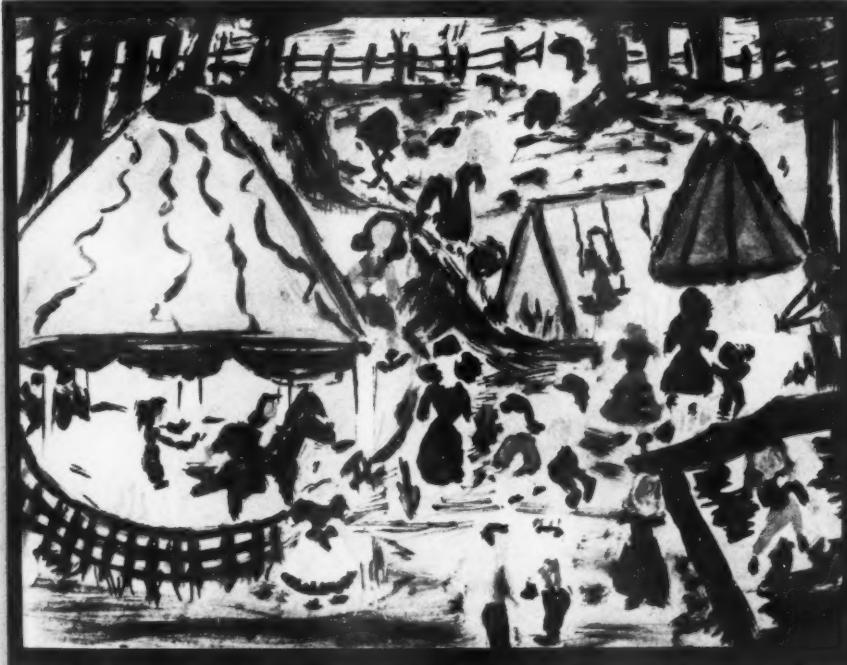


SPRING CHICKENS—Gay Barker, age 9, Grade 4, Barrett School, Birmingham, Ala. Teacher: Lula Bell Black





PRETTY BUTTERFLY — Becky Rucker, age 6, Kindergarten,
Hailmann School, LaPorte, Ind. Teacher: Jessie K. Brown



PLAYING ON THE PLAYGROUND — Nancy Lawrence, age 11, Grade
6, Jefferson School, San Francisco, Calif. Teacher: Mrs. A. Heitmann

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HEAT WAVE—John Sarrechia, age 13, Grade 8, Columbian School, East Orange, New Jersey. Teacher: Bernie Prue



SUMMER—Paula Stagman, age 7, Grade 2, Huey School, Philadelphia, Pa. Art Supervisor: Mrs. Narbonne



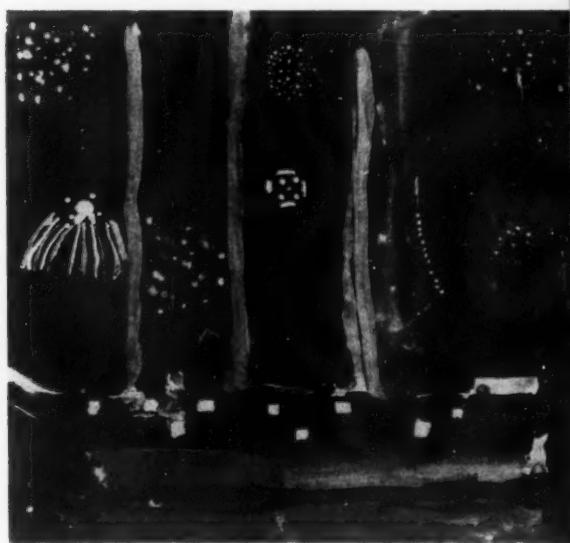
THE CORN GOD—Jaymie Bell, Grade 1, Jefferson Park School, Tucson, Arizona



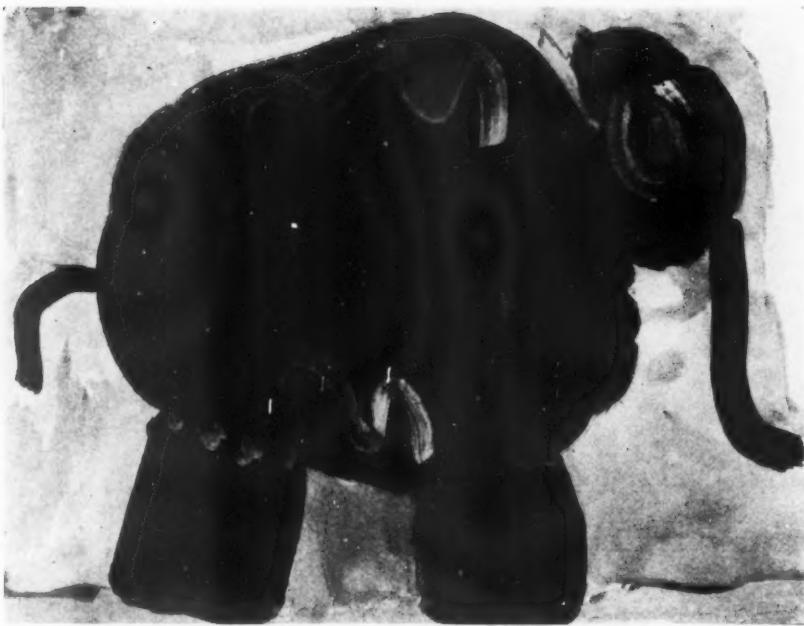
SUMMER JOY—Larry Hand, age 11, Grade 6, Henderson Junior High School, Henderson, Texas. Teacher: Mrs. W. E. McFarland



ME, MY COUSIN AND MY SISTER THE BRIDE—Katherine McCullough, age 6, Grade 1, School No. 3, Rochester, N. Y. Teacher: Isabel Levy



BOATS DURING FOURTH OF JULY—Marc Asch, age 10, Grade 5, Newtown Friends School, Newtown, Pa. Teacher: Iris Gleeson



I LIKE THE CIRCUS—Billy Simmons, age 6, Grade 1, School No. 3, Rochester, N. Y.
Teacher: Isabel Levy

DRESSED FOR THE PARADE—Mickie Kanarish, age 8, Grade 3, Peterson
School, Chicago, Illinois. Teacher: A. Luby

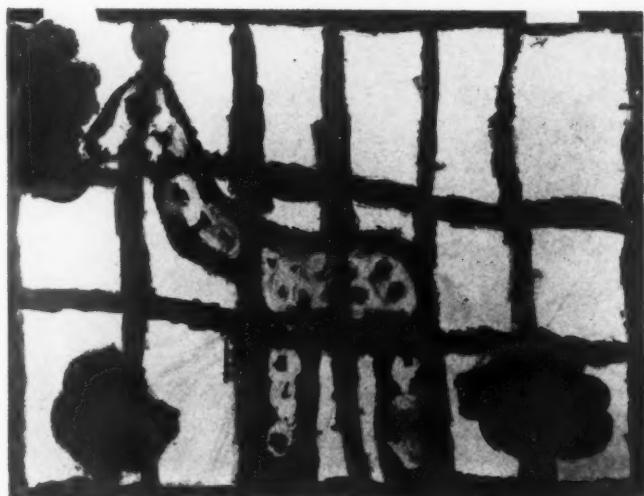


SILLY, SILLY CLOWN—Larry Epstein, age 6, Grade 1,
Sarah R. Smith School, Atlanta, Ga. Teacher: Mrs.
Sturgis





THE CIRCUS CLOWN BOSSY—Sharmon Henry, age 8, Grade 3, Irving School, Tulsa, Oklahoma. Teacher: M. Howard



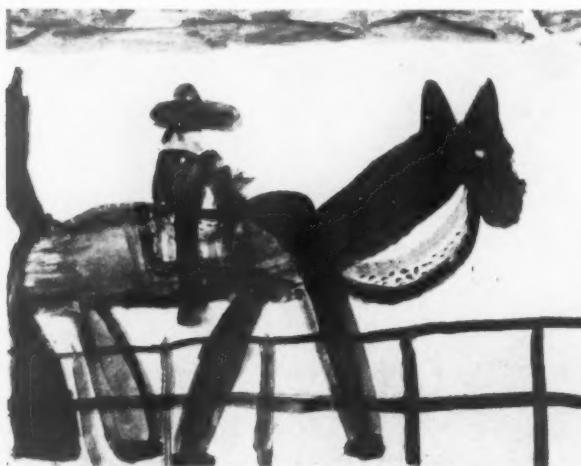
THE GIRAFFE—Sandra Spellman, age 7, Grade 1A, Budlong School, Chicago, Illinois. Teacher: Tula Limbert



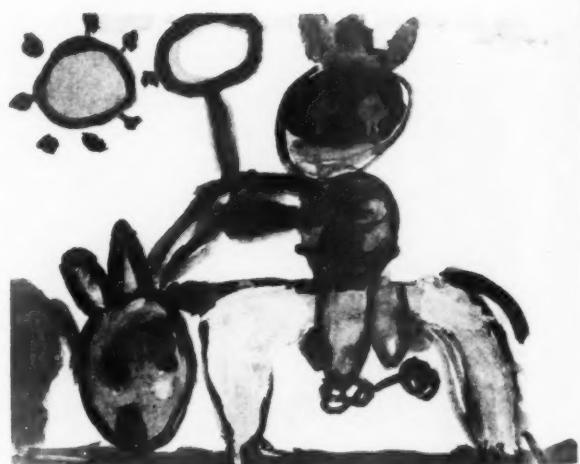
MY CAT IN SUMMER—Raymond Giroux, age 7, Grade 2,
Liberty School, Springfield, Mass. Teacher: Miss Ruddy



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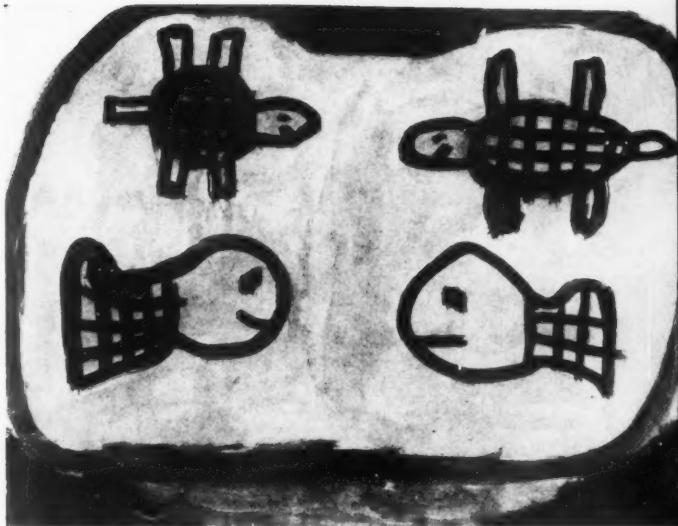
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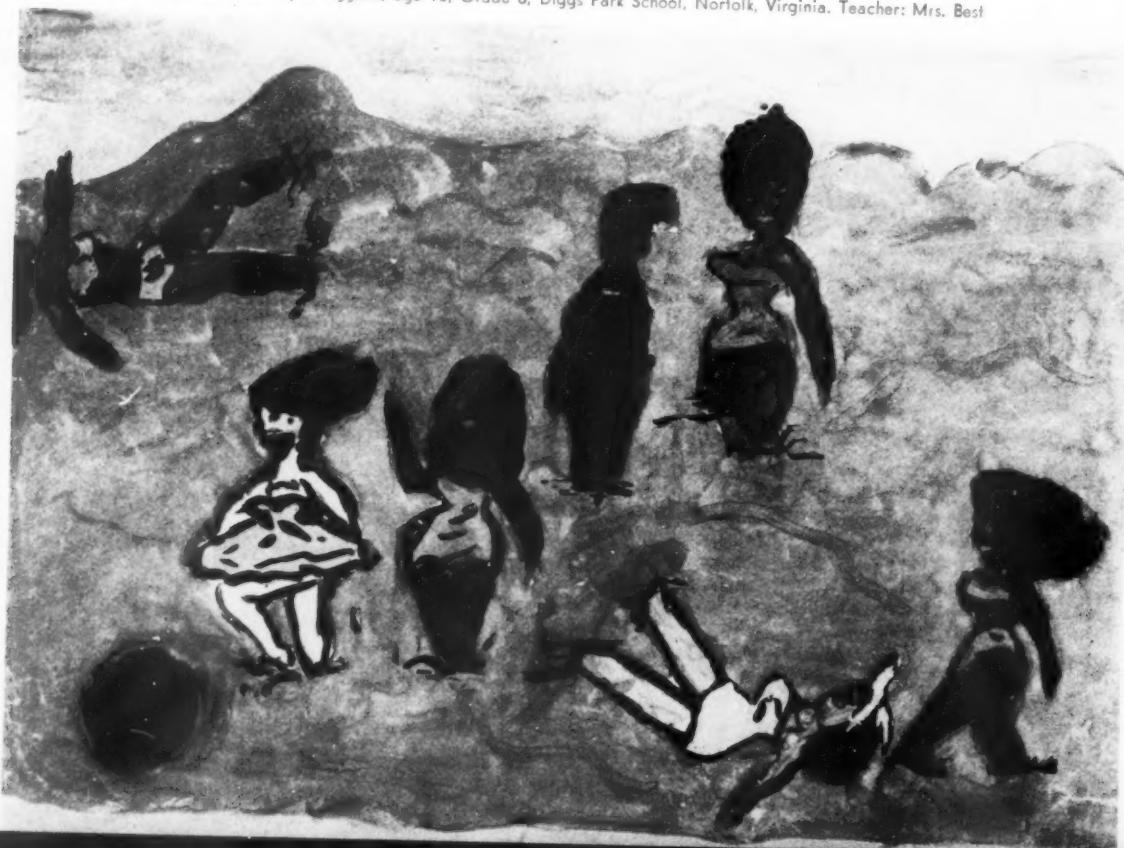


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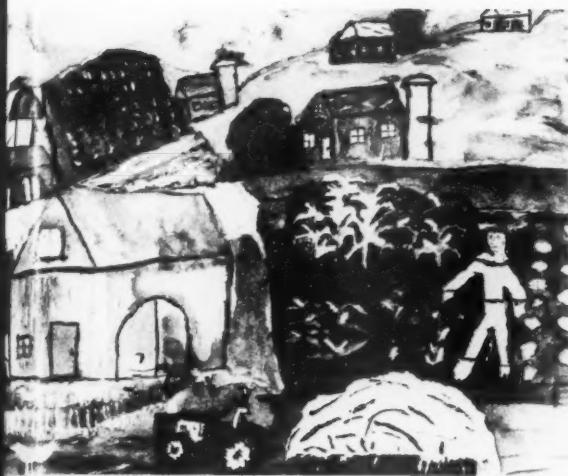
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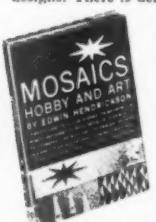
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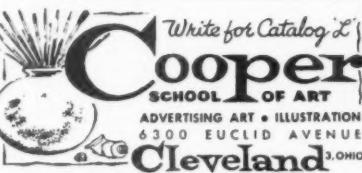
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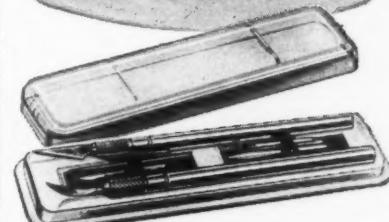
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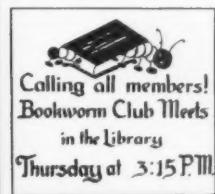
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